

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 86. }

WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, October 1, 1861.

I..The six New England States will temporarily constitute a separate military department, to be called the Department of New England. Headquarters, Boston. Major General B. F. Butler, United States Volunteer Service, while engaged in recruiting his division, will command.

II..Lieutenants appointed aides to general officers, are not dropped from their regiments, but should be reported upon the returns thereof, as "absent upon detached service."

III..Officers of the volunteer service sent upon regimental recruiting service, will make out three muster-in rolls of recruits enlisted; the first of which will be sent to the Adjutant General of the Army, the second to the Adjutant General of the State to which the regiment belongs, and the third to the Commanding Officer of the regiment.

BY ORDER :

L. THOMAS,
Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL :

Assistant Adjutant General.